

Saint Patrick's Day

March 17th



St. Patrick



- ✦ **St Patrick was born in Cornwall (England) in about AD 390 - roughly 390 years after birth of Jesus, or more than 1,600 years ago.**



The story of St Patrick



<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xOqWT2tk9Js>



Maewyn

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Patron Saint of Ireland, Nigeria, & Monserrat

The Irish flag

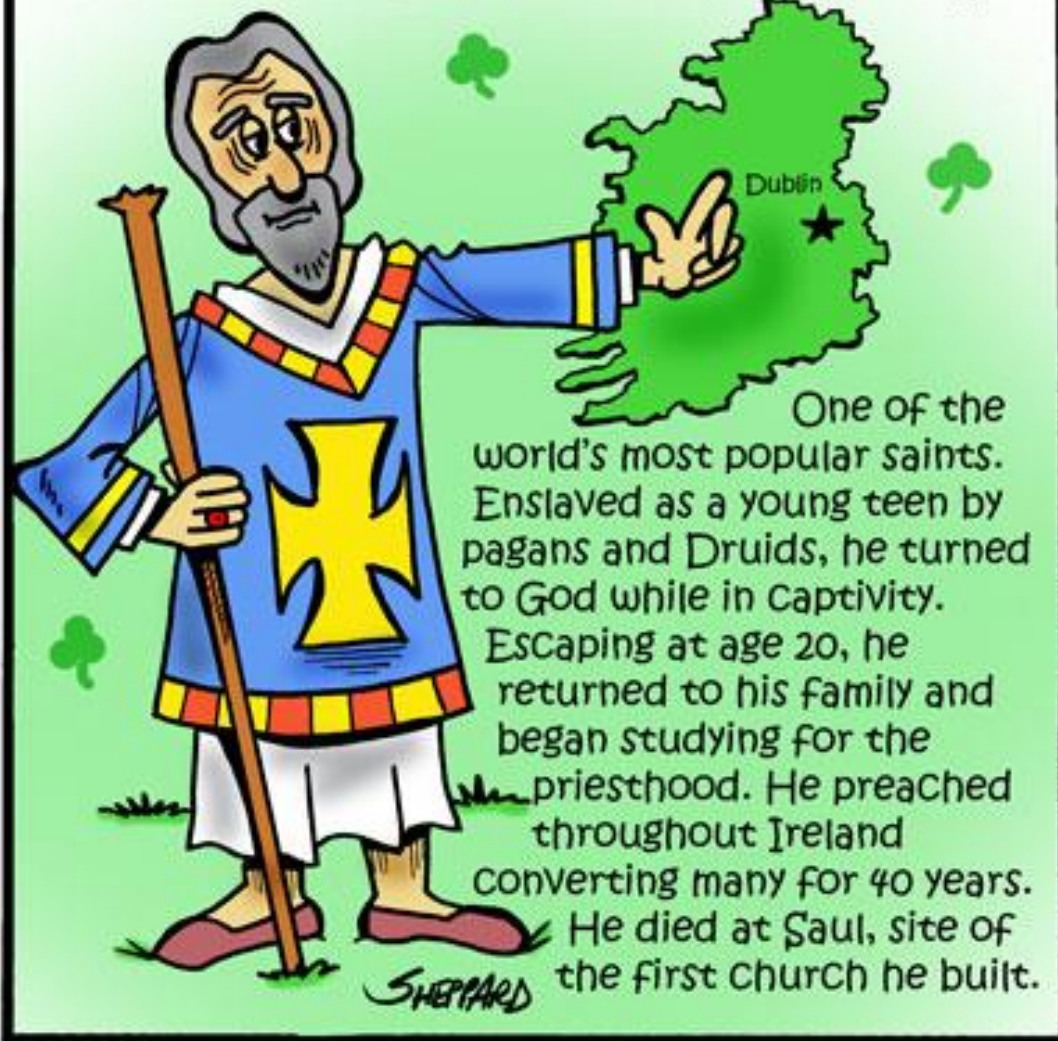


The Shamrock



SAINTS FUN FACTS

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One of the world's most popular saints. Enslaved as a young teen by pagans and Druids, he turned to God while in captivity. Escaping at age 20, he returned to his family and began studying for the priesthood. He preached throughout Ireland converting many for 40 years. He died at Saul, site of the first church he built.

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Shamrock

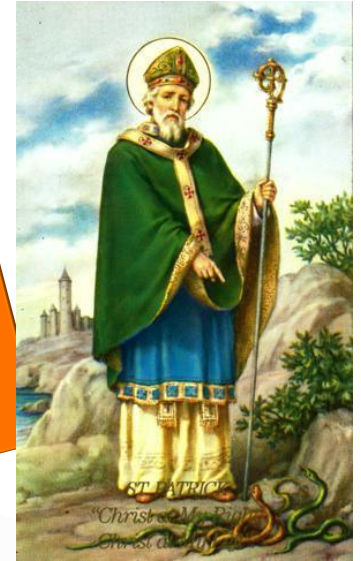
Symbol of Ireland

St Patrick used the widely grown shamrock to explain the TRINITY- The Father, Son and Holy Sprit- three Gods in One



Prayer from St. Patrick's Breastplate

- ✦ Christ be with me,
- ✦ Christ be before me,
- ✦ Christ behind me,
- ✦ Christ within me,
- ✦ Christ below me,
- ✦ Christ above me,
- ✦ Christ at my right hand,
- ✦ Christ at my left hand,
- ✦ Christ as I lie down,
- ✦ Christ as I arise,
- ✦ Christ as I stand,
- ✦ Christ in the heart of everyone who thinks of me,
- ✦ Christ in every mouth of everyone who speaks to me,
- ✦ Christ in every eye that sees me,
- ✦ Christ in every ear that hears me.



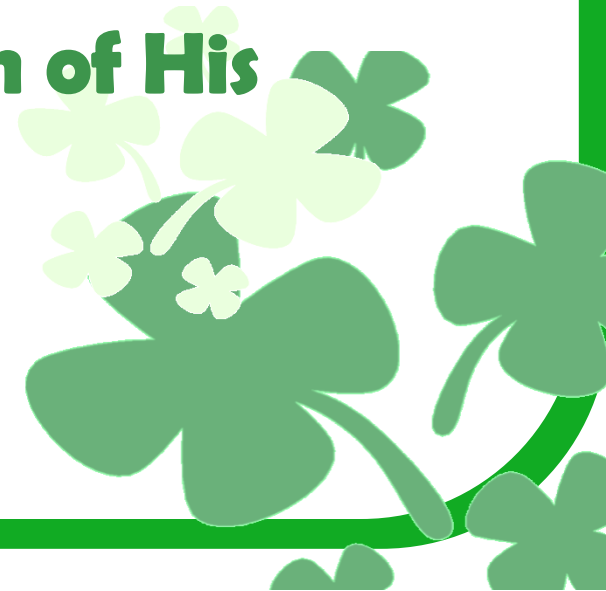
Christ Be Beside Me

 <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7CJv4p5CuKc>



An Old Irish Blessing

**✿ May the road rise up to meet you.
May the wind always be at your back.
May the sun shine warm upon your face,
and rains fall soft upon your fields.
And until we meet again,
May God hold you in the palm of His
hand.**



Riverdance- a celebration of Irish dancing

✿ http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=X5Mco3_rlWo&feature=related

